

**AMENDMENT TO LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION
APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. KAPTUR OF OHIO**

At the appropriate place in the Committee Report under the heading “Department of Health and Human Services” insert the following:

1 The Committee directs the Secretary of Health and
2 Human Services, in consultation with the Secretary of the
3 Veterans Administration, to submit a report to the Com-
4 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
5 not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment
6 of the Bill to which this Committee Report pertains re-
7 garding price changes of prescription drugs since 2003.
8 The report should include prescription drug prices (net of
9 rebates) paid by Federal programs for the 10 most fre-
10 quently prescribed drugs and the 10 highest-cost drugs
11 under the following:

12 (1) The Medicare program under part B of title
13 XVIII of the Social Security Act.

14 (2) The Medicare prescription drug program
15 under part D of title XVIII of the Social Security
16 Act.

1 (3) The Medicaid program under title XIX of
2 the Social Security Act.

3 (4) The Veterans Administration.

4 (5) In countries bordering the United States
5 and, as available, other nations.

6 In addition, the report should include total annual
7 costs to the Medicare program under part B of title XVIII
8 of the Social Security Act, the Medicare prescription drug
9 program under part D of title XVIII of such Act, the Med-
10 icaid program under title XIX of such Act, and the Vet-
11 erans Administration for all prescription drugs. And fi-
12 nally, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall
13 review how the Federal Government has achieved competi-
14 tive cost reductions for drugs since 2001.

